BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 28 FEBRUARY 1994

26 January 1993

ON 5 SEP 92, THE JOINT INVESTIGATIVE TEAM TRAVELLED TO CAM MY VILLAGE (WF983145), CAM XUYEN DISTRICT, HA TINH PROVINCE TO INVESTIGATE CASE 1148. THE TWO WITNESSES INTERVIEWED IN THE VILLAGE REPORTED THAT ONLY ONE AIRCRAFT CRASHED THERE DURING THE WAR, A JET AIRCRAFT WHICH CRASHED DURING THE 4TH OR 5TH LUNAR MONTH OF 1968 IN THE MOC LEN AREA NEAR ROUTE 21. ONE -WITNESS HEARD THE PILOT WAS RESCUED. THE SECOND WITNESS ACTUALLY SAW AN EMPTY RED PARACHUTE SUSPENDED IN A TREE. TEAM ANALYSTS CORRELATED THIS INCIDENT TO AN OPERATIONAL LOSS OF AN A4 AIRCRAFT ON 8 MAY 68. THE TEAM OBTAINED NO INFORMATION THAT COULD BE CORRELATED TO CASE 1148. (REF 2)

7 August 1993

ON 30 JUN 93, IE2 INVESTIGATED THIS CASE IN CAM MY VILLAGE, CAM XUYEN DISTRICT, HA TINH PROVINCE. IE2 INTERVIEWED TWO WITNESSES WITH INFORMATION POSSIBLY PERTAINING TO TWO SEPARATE INCIDENTS, NEITHER OF WHICH CAN BE CORRELATED TO CASE 1148. A WEEK-LONG SEARCH BY ONE WITNESS AND VIETNAMESE OFFICIALS FOR THE WITNESS-REPORTED CRASH SITE WAS UNSUCCESSFUL. DUE TO THE DENSE JUNGLE AND STEEP, MOUNTAINOUS TERRAIN IN THE AREA, 1E2 WAS UNABLE TO REACH THE REPORTED INCIDENT LOCATION FOR THIS CASE BY VEHICLE OR FOOT. THE TEAM CONDUCTED AN AERIAL SURVEY IN THE VICINITY OF THE INCIDENT LOCATION FOR CASE 1148 WITH NEGATIVE RESULTS. NO REMAINS OR MATERIAL EVIDENCE WERE OBTAINED DURING THIS INVESTIGATION. (REF 3)

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REFNO: 1151-0-02 Name: PIETSCH, R	(ACCNO 1026) OBERT EDWARD		tatus: (1 ate Stati	F) DEAD BO us assigne	DY NOT RECOVERED d: 8 Jun 1978
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REFNO: Name: NAME Status: (F) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED Date Status assigned: 28 Apr 1978					
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CASE: 1151

=== CIRCUMSTANCES OF LOSS ===

22 March 1976

ON 30 APRIL 1968

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=== NEGOTIATION ACTIONS ===

21 September 1978

A NEGOTIATION FOLDER FOR THIS INDIVIDUAL WAS PASSED TO THE LAO GOVERNMENT DURING THE WEEK OF 21 AUG 1978 FOR USE IN CASUALTY RESOLUTION.

=== ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS ===

22 March 1976

ASSOCIATED INDIVIDUALS: NAME

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=== JOINT INVESTIGATION, SURVEY OR EXCAVATION ===

8 July 1993

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JOINT TASK FORCE - FULL ACCOUNTING

BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 28 MARCH 1994

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THE MATERIAL EVIDENCE AND PART NUMBERS RECORDED DURING JFA 94-3L COULD NOT BE EXCLUSIVELY CORRELATED TO AN A-26A OR ANY OTHER AIRCRAFT. JTF-FA FILES INDICATE 28 CRASH SITES WITHIN 15 KILOMETERS OF 48QXD050720. (REF 5)



JOINT TASK FORCE - FULL ACCOUNTING BOX 64044 CAMP H. M. SMITH, HAWAII 96861-4044

CASE 1151-0-01 AND 02

NARRATIVE

ON 30 APRIL 1968, AND CAPTAIN

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THE VICINITY OF GRID COORDINATES XD052724, APPROXIMATELY 40

KILOMETERS NORTHWEST OF XEPON, 3200 METERS SOUTHEAST OF BAN NALOU

AND 200 METERS EAST OF ROUTE 911, SAVANNAKHET PROVINCE. SEARCH

AND RESCUE FORCES ARRIVED IN THE AREA AND OBSERVED CONTINUOUS

EXPLOSIONS AND A BRIGHT FIRE. THEY SAW NO PARACHUTES AND HEARD

NO ELECTRONIC BEEPER SIGNALS. THE FOLLOWING DAY, SEARCH AND

RESCUE FORCES OBSERVED AIRCRAFT WRECKAGE AT THE CRASH SITE.

ON 13 MARCH 1993, A JOINT TEAM TRAVELED TO BAN NAMKHIP

(XD038709) TO INVESTIGATE THIS CASE. THE TEAM TALKED TO LOCAL

RESIDENTS WHO REPORTED SALVAGING SCRAP METAL FROM A CRASH SITE.

THE TEAM VISITED THE SITE (XD045709) AND OBSERVED NUMEROUS SMALL

PIECES OF WRECKAGE. THE LOCAL RESIDENTS STATED THAT THEY HAD

NEVER SEEN ANY REMAINS OR PERSONAL EFFECTS AT THE SITE. THE TEAM

RECOMMENDED THE SITE BE EXCAVATED. SUBSEQUENT ANALYSIS OF THE

WRECKAGE RECOVERED FROM THE SITE INDICATES THAT THEY ARE

CONSISTENT WITH AN A-1 AIRCRAFT. SINCE THIS CASE INVOLVED AN A
26 AIRCRAFT, THE CRASH SITE DOES NOT CORRELATE TO THIS INCIDENT.

PASSED TO OFFICIALS OF THE LAO GOVERNMENT DURING A COORDINATION MEETING ON 31 DEC 93 IN VIENTIANE



JOINT TASK FORCE - FULL ACCOUNTING CAMP H. M. SMITH, HAWAII 96861-5025

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ເມື່ອວັນທີ 30 ເມສາ 1968, ຮ້ອບເອກ ລູອິສ ແອຟ.

) ແລະຮ້ອບເອກ ຮາເບີດຫ ອີ ໝີດຈ (Robert E. Pietsch) ເປັນສະມາ ຊິກຊອງເຄື່ອງບົນ ຊະນິດ ເອ-26 (A-26) ໄດ້ອອກບົນໄປປະຕິບັດງານສ່ອບແນມບານກາງຄືນ. ເຄື່ອງບິນລຳນີ້ຫມາບເລກ 64-17648, ຖືກບິງດ້ວຍປືນຕໍ່ຕ້ານອາກາດສະບານ ແລະຕົກໃນບໍລິ ເລນຸພິກັດ XD052724, ປະມານ 40 ກິໂລແມັດຈາກທິດຕາເວັນຕົກສ່ຽງເຫນືອຂອງ ເຊໂປນ, 3200 ແມັດ ຫາງຫິດຕາເວັນອອກສ່ຽງໄຕ້ຂອງບ້ານ ນາລູ (Ban Nalou) ແລະ 200 ແມັດ ທາງທິດຕາເວັນອອກຊອງເສັ້ນທາງ 911, ແຂວງ ສະຫວັນນະເຂດ. ຫນ່ວຍກູ້ພັບ ມາຮອດບໍ ລິເລນນັ້ນ ແລະສັງເກດເຫັນເຄື່ອງບິນບັງລະເບີດແລະມີແສງໄຟແຈ້ງຢູ່. ເຂົາເຈົ້າບໍ່ເຫັນຈ້ອງ ແລະກິບໍໄດ້ບົນສຽງສັນບານສຸກເສີນ. ໃນນີ້ຕື່ມາ, ຫນ່ວຍກູ້ພັບ ກິໄດ້ກັບໄປ ແລະເຫັນຊາກ ເຄື່ອງບິນປູ່ບ່ອນທີ່ຕົກນັ້ນ.

เมื่อจัมหี 13 มีมา 1993, ซึมร่วมได้ไปข้ามม้ำถึบ (BAN NAMKHIP) พีทัด XD 038709 ເພື່ອສືບສ່ວນກິລະນີນີ້. ຫີມໄດ້ເວົ້າກັບຊາວບ້ານຜູ້ທີ່ໄດ້ລາຍງ່ານກ່ຽວກັບເສດເຫລັກທີ່ ເກັບມາຈາກສະຖານທີ່ ເຄື່ອງບິນຕົກ. ທິມໄດ້ໄປສະຖານທີ່ ພິກັດ XD045709 ແລະໄດ້ສັງເກດ ເບິ່ງຈຳນວນເສດເຫລັກຄ່ອນນ້ອຍຯ ຂອງຊາກເຄື່ອງບິນຕົກ. ຊາວບ້ານໄດ້ບອກວ່າຂະເຈົ້າບໍ່ ໄດ້ເຫັນຊາກສົບຈັກອັນຫລື ສີ່ງຂອງສ່ວນຕົວຢູ່ສະຖານທີ່ນັ້ນ. ຕິ່ມາການວິຈັບຂອງຊາກເຄື່ອງບິນທີ່ ເກັບມາຈາກສະຖານທີ່ນັ້ນໄດ້ຊີ່ໃຫ້ເຫັນ ເປັນສ່ວນຂອງເຄື່ອງບົນຊະນິດ A-1. ຕັ້ງແຕ່ກິລະນີນີ້ໄດ້ ກ່ຽວຂ້ອງກັບເຄື່ອງບິນ A-26, ບ່ອນເຄື່ອງບິນຕົກນັ້ນບໍ່ໄດ້ກ່ຽວພັນກັນກັບອຸບັດຕິເຫດນີ້.

JOINT TASK FORCE - FULL ACCOUNTING

BIOGRAPHIC/SITE REPORT AS OF 19 OCTOBER 1993

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REFNO: 1152-0-01 (ACCNO 048 Name: STAEHLI, BRUCE WAYNE	Status: Date St	(8) DEAD BODY NOT RECOVERED atus assigned: 20 Jun 1975
Service MARINE CORPS Service F2 SSAN E2 Serial No Birth date 24 Sep 1948 Home State INDIANA Re	ce CAUCASIAN EX MALE Air BROWN Ves GREEN Light 64 in /1.63 mtrs Light 145 lb / 65.7 kg Ligion PROTESTANT	Blood Chit # Blood type O + Complexion FAIR Weapon # Weapon No # Duty pos RIFLEMAN PW Camp \$
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INCIDENT	LOCATION (0)	
Mission Category: 3 Local Analysis: Unknown	0620 / 1070212E [ETNAM	RY ====================================
Folders Passed: Jul 93, Dec Investigations: Jan 93, Aug Surveys: Aug 93 Vessey Case: NO Case type: GROUND SITE -	g 93	
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=======================================	=== VEHICLE DATA ====	
Vehicle Type: GRND Crash Type: None Call Sign: \$ Year: \$	1	Serial: \$ ne Type: Serial: Serial:
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# = Item has been	researched but data ca	annot be obtained.

not applicable to this case.

Data for item is unknown or not available.